

## Woman's Round Lake Improvement Society

### Minutes of November 16, 2017 Membership Meeting

#### **Attendance:**

Diane Marchand, Nancy Theissen, Lydia Hoffman, Cindy Sabia, Diane Shapiro, Tim Lesar, Susan Lesar, Tina Alviar, Samantha Snyder, Lance Spallholz, Norma Spallholz, Aaron Morris, Amy Leach, Eric Leach, Linda Connors, Jane Curtis, Dan Curtis, Ashley Armitage, Ken Rawley, Jean Sweet, Gary Putman, Maggie McDonough, Rachel Ziegler-Sheridan, Peter Sheridan, Mue Ziegler

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Diane Marchand at 7:00pm.

**Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the Minutes of October 19, 2017 by Samantha Snyder, seconded by Aaron Morris, and approved with 4 abstentions.

**Correspondence:** Diane Marchand sent a condolence card to Patty Ruggkes; thank you notes to Mike Coffey, for donating Benjamin Moore paints, Corliss Robichaud who donated plants (most of which were planted in Orient Park), and to Bob Connors who worked with Scott Rigney on repairs and updates to the Clark House.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tom Bergin was not in attendance. Diane Marchand handed in his Balance Sheet, October 2017, which includes the Proposed WRLIS 2018 Budget. He had noted to Diane that there was not a lot of activity for the month. (Report attached)

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **Trustees:** Nancy Theissen gave the November 2017 Trustees Report, which is summarized below. (Report attached)
  - The Town of Malta appointed a new associate trustee, Lorrie Anthony.
  - WRLIS attorney, Tom Peterson, is holding the original of the official document for the WRLIS charter amendment to change the library trustee term length from 3 years to 5 years. Copies will be in the WRLIS files.
  - Food for Fines Program will run from November 20 to 25. For every non-perishable item donated, \$1.00 in fines will be waived (maximum \$10). Donations will go to the Malta Community Center Food Pantry.
  - Possible CPR training for staff (maybe January 2018), and the purchase of a defibrillator for Clark House. Consideration being given to opening up CPR training to the public. Information will follow as it becomes available.

**Financial Officer:** No report.

**Grounds:** In Dick Theissen's absence, his wife, Nancy, said the last raking was done.

**Buildings: Clark House**

- Diane Marchand said that Rusty Taylor has scraped, primed and painted the front porch.
- A column was in very bad shape and it was found there wasn't a down spout leading from the gutters, which caused the column's paint to actually peel right off. The down spout has been installed.
- Railings on both front and side porches were very loose. Bob Connors fixed them.
- Front steps have to be replaced - waiting until Sunday.
- It was mentioned that someone should look at the slate roof.
- Diane Marchand will post the structural engineer's report on the WRLIS website regarding the north side of the foundation, which is slipping.
- Compiling a list with staff to prioritize repairs.
- Tina Alviar will be creating a spreadsheet for a manageable list.

**Publicity:** No report.

**Improvements:** No report.

**Nominations:** Norma Spallholz and Samantha Snyder have agreed to be members of the Nominating Committee.

- Two terms need to be voted on - Deb Albrecht's term (who resigned as president with Diane Marchand stepping in to replace her) is up in January, as is Cindy Sabia's term as secretary.
- Diane Shapiro has asked to be relieved of her duties as vice president.

**Membership:** Lydia Hoffman thanked all who contributed to the successful "high tea". Fifty people signed up. Diane Marchand also made mention of sending thank you cards to Cindy Vanwyk for the use of her home for such a great event, and the Whistling Kettle for donating various teas.

**Historical Society:** Lydia Hoffman needs more volunteers for a group established that cares about the future of the Historical Society/Auditorium. The group discusses different projects and presents ideas on how to allocate a \$120,000 grant. The group meets once a month and meetings last under an hour.

**Programs:** No report.

**Special Committee Reports:**

- A Clark House Triage Committee has been set up to prioritize a work plan. The committee consists of Peter Sheridan, Diane Marchand, Nancy Theissen, Samantha Snyder and Tina Alviar who are working together to begin classifying needed repairs. Two different groups are being set up – one, more cosmetic and the other, more alternative.
- Compiling a list with staff to prioritize repairs.
- Tina Alviar will be creating a spreadsheet for a manageable list.

**Unfinished Business:** No report.

**New Business:** Diane Marchand asked for approval of the budget. A motion was made by Dan Curtis to approve the 2018 budget, seconded by Linda Connors, and approved by the membership.

**Miscellaneous:**

- Lydia Hoffman said the historical society is planning a story telling event and calling it “Speak Easy.” People would tell stories based on a theme (5 minute duration), café style, and make it a contest or event. She would like 2 to 3 people to help organize it. It would be a great way to learn about people we already know, but in a different way.
- Aaron Morris discussed getting estimates to light the Village's tall tree for Christmas.

**Meeting Dates to Remember:**

**WRLIS: December 21**

**Board of Trustees: December 12**

**Giving Tree: Gifts due back by Saturday, November 25**

**Adjourn:** Motion was made by Tina Alviar to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm.